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# Memorandum

**TO:** Director, Reference Information Center  
Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau

**FROM:**  Daniel M. Armstrong  
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**SUBJECT:** *Z-Tel Communications, Inc v. FCC*, No. 03-1408. Filing of a Notice of Appeal in the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.

**DATE:** December 2, 2003

This is to advise you that, on November 14, 2003, Z-Tel Communications, Inc. ("Z-Tel") filed a Notice of Appeal in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit, pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 402(b), of the following order: *Joint Application by SBC Communications Inc., Illinois Bell Telephone Company, Indiana Bell Telephone Company Incorporated, the Ohio Bell Telephone Company, Wisconsin Bell, Inc , and Southwestern Bell Communications Services, Inc. for Authorization to Provide In-Region, InterLATA Services in Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Wisconsin*, Memorandum Opinion and Order, WC Docket No. 03-167, FCC 03-243 (rel. Oct. 15, 2003).

Z-Tel challenges the Commission's decision to grant SBC's section 271 joint application to provide interLATA service originating in Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Wisconsin.

The Court has docketed this case as No. 03-1408. The attorney assigned to handle the litigation of this case is James M. Carr.